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# STATE OF NEW YORK

## LEGISLATURE OF ERIE COUNTY

### BUFFALO, N.Y., FEBRUARY 26, 2015 A.D.

**I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT** *at a regular session of the Legislature of Erie County held in the County Hall, in the City of Buffalo, on the 26<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2015 A.D., a resolution was adopted, of which the following is a true copy:*

**WHEREAS,** *Kathleen Rumfola has been nominated for membership to the National League of American Pen Women based on her expertise in promoting Polish American culture and heritage through lectures, ladies luncheons, cultural presentations and displays in children's museums and libraries; and*

**WHEREAS,** *Kathleen Rumfola is an International Doll Artist and Polish American Decorative Painter, and has been a doll maker for over 35 years, declared an expert in her field, showing her work in local galleries, juried art shows and several historical museum settings including the Buffalo Museum of Science and the Theodore Roosevelt Inaugural Site, a National Historic Landmark in Buffalo, New York; and*

**WHEREAS,** *Kathleen Rumfola attributes her knowledge, skills and talent to her parents and grandparents who taught her to master difficult skills, strive for perfection and learn artistry and quality craftsmanship, and gives credit to the Lord "who makes all things happen"; and*

**WHEREAS,** *Kathleen Rumfola remembers the stories of her father's struggle as a Polish immigrant to overcome ridicule and prejudice as a young boy, and uses that as encouragement to live her life to the fullest capacity while embracing her Polish roots.*

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT**

**RESOLVED,** *the Erie County Legislature pauses in its deliberations to honor Kathleen Rumfola for using her God given gifts to passionately share her heritage, knowledge and artistic talents with students of all ages and inspiring them to leave a rich legacy for their children's children.*

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**John J. Mills**  
*Chairman of the Legislature of Erie County*

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**Karen M. McCarthy**  
*Clerk of the Legislature of Erie County*